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### Blind Donor

These changes apply to the Deceased Tissue Donor Selection Guidelines

Please make the following changes to the entry:

*Obligatory*

**Eyes:**

Determine the cause of blindness and discuss with a **Designated Medical Officer**

*Discretionary*

**Other Tissues:**

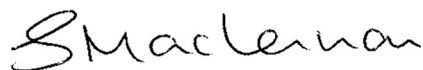
If no other contraindication, accept.

*Additional Information*

Donors with corneal blindness must be deferred. Most donors with retinal and optic nerve blindness can be accepted.

*Reason for Change*

To provide additional information regarding which types of blindness affect eye donation



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